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Report Highlights:

The Bosnia and Herzegovina Council of Ministers recently established a State Phytosanitary Administration. The Administration has yet to be organized and staffed. However, it will be in charge of drafting regulations, improving plant health protection, policy issues, serving as the enquiry point and representing BiH internationally. The Ministry of Foreign Trade and Economic Relations will be the umbrella organization for the Administration.

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The national-level Government of Bosnia and Herzegovina (the Council of Ministers (CoM)) recently adopted a decision on the establishment of a State Phytosanitary Administration (called the Administration for Plant Health Protection). Previously, phytosanitary issues were handled at the entity level agricultural ministries¹, an institutional structure unacceptable to trading partners and the European Union. The decision is only on paper and first must be published in the BiH Official Gazette and later enforced.

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¹ Bosnia and Herzegovina consists of two entities, the Federation and the Republika Srpska, each in charge for its own agricultural sector. Both Agricultural Ministries have their own Veterinary and Phytosanitary Departments.